

103^D CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 512

AMENDMENTS

In the Senate of the United States,

October 7 (legislative day, September 12), 1994.

Resolved, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 512) entitled “An Act to amend chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that group life insurance benefits under such chapter may, upon application, be paid out to an insured individual who is terminally ill, and for other purposes”, do pass with the following

AMENDMENTS:

Page 7 after line 12 insert:

1 ***SEC. 5. CONTINUATION OF HEALTH BENEFITS COVERAGE***
2 ***FOR INDIVIDUALS ENROLLED IN A PLAN AD-***
3 ***MINISTERED BY THE OFFICE OF THE COMP-***
4 ***TROLLER OF THE CURRENCY OR THE OFFICE***
5 ***OF THRIFT SUPERVISION.***

6 (a) *ENROLLMENT IN CHAPTER 89 PLAN.*—For pur-
7 poses of the administration of chapter 89 of title 5, United
8 States Code, any period of enrollment under a health bene-
9 fits plan administered by the Office of the Comptroller of
10 the Currency or the Office of Thrift Supervision before the
11 termination of such plans on January 7, 1995, shall be
12 deemed to be a period of enrollment in a health benefits
13 plan under chapter 89 of such title.

1 (b) *CONTINUED COVERAGE.*—(1) Any individual who,
2 on January 7, 1995, is covered by a health benefits plan
3 administered by the Office of the Comptroller of the Cur-
4 rency or the Office of Thrift Supervision may enroll in an
5 approved health benefits plan described under section 8903
6 or 8903a of title 5, United States Code—

7 (A) either as an individual or for self and fam-
8 ily, if such individual is an employee, annuitant, or
9 former spouse as defined under section 8901 of such
10 title; and

11 (B) for coverage effective on and after January
12 8, 1995.

13 (2) An individual who, on January 7, 1995, is entitled
14 to continued coverage under a health benefits plan adminis-
15 tered by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency or
16 the Office of Thrift Supervision—

17 (A) shall be deemed to be entitled to continued
18 coverage under section 8905a of title 5, United States
19 Code, for the same period that would have been per-
20 mitted under the plan administered by the Office of
21 the Comptroller of the Currency or the Office of Thrift
22 Supervision; and

23 (B) may enroll in an approved health benefits
24 plan described under section 8903 or 8903a of such

1 *title in accordance with section 8905a of such title for*
2 *coverage effective on and after January 8, 1995.*

3 *(3) An individual who, on January 7, 1995, is covered*
4 *as an unmarried dependent child under a health benefits*
5 *plan administered by the Office of the Comptroller of the*
6 *Currency or the Office of Thrift Supervision and who is*
7 *not a member of family as defined under section 8901(5)*
8 *of title 5, United States Code—*

9 *(A) shall be deemed to be entitled to continued*
10 *coverage under section 8905a of such title as though*
11 *the individual had, on January 7, 1995, ceased to*
12 *meet the requirements for being considered an unmar-*
13 *ried dependent child under chapter 89 of such title;*
14 *and*

15 *(B) may enroll in an approved health benefits*
16 *plan described under section 8903 or 8903a of such*
17 *title in accordance with section 8905a for continued*
18 *coverage effective on and after January 8, 1995.*

19 *(c) TRANSFERS TO THE EMPLOYEES HEALTH BENE-*
20 *FITS FUND.—The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency*
21 *and the Office of Thrift Supervision shall transfer to the*
22 *Employees Health Benefits Fund established under section*
23 *8909 of title 5, United States Code, amounts determined*
24 *by the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, after*
25 *consultation with the Office of the Comptroller of the Cur-*

1 rency and the Office of Thrift Supervision, to be necessary
 2 to reimburse the Fund for the cost of providing benefits
 3 under this section not otherwise paid for by the individuals
 4 covered by this section. The amounts so transferred shall
 5 be held in the Fund and used by the Office in addition to
 6 amounts available under section 8906(g)(1) of such title.

7 (d) ADMINISTRATION AND REGULATIONS.—The Office
 8 of Personnel Management—

9 (1) shall administer the provisions of this section
 10 to provide for—

11 (A) a period of notice and open enrollment
 12 for individuals affected by this section; and

13 (B) no lapse of health coverage for individ-
 14 uals who enroll in a health benefits plan under
 15 chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, in ac-
 16 cordance with this section; and

17 (2) may prescribe regulations to implement this
 18 section.

Amend the title so as to read: “An Act to amend chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that group life insurance benefits under such chapter may, upon application, be paid out to an insured individual who is terminally ill; to provide for continuation of health benefits coverage for certain individuals enrolled in health benefits plans administered by the Office of the Comp-

troller of the Currency or the Office of Thrift Supervision; and for other purposes.”.

Attest:

Secretary.